

Updated November 20, 2018	2018 COMMERCIAL POSSESSION LIMITS FOR COMMONLY HARVESTED SPECIES (pounds/vessel)											
	Jan-18	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>BLACK SEA BASS</b>	500/wk (1/1*)	500/wk	500/wk	750/wk (4/1) 1,000/wk (4/15)	50/day (5/1*)	50/day CLOSED (6/17)	50/day (7/1*) CLOSED (7/19)	CLOSED (8/1*)	CLOSED 50/day (9/15*)	50/day CLOSED (10/3)	50/day (11/1*) 100/day (11/24)	
<b>BLUEFISH</b>	500/wk (1/1*)	500/wk	500/wk	500/wk 1,000/bi-wk (4/1)	6,000/wk (5/1)* 10,000/wk (5/27)	10,000/wk	10,000/wk 15,000/wk (7/15)	15,000/wk	15,000/wk	15,000/wk 25,000/wk (10/21)	25,000/wk 500/wk (11/11*) 25,000/wk (11/11)	
<b>MENHADEN</b> In the Menhaden Management Area	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED [25,000/day for designated fall season area] (9/1)*	[25,000/day for designated fall season area]	[25,000/day for designated fall season area]	
<b>MENHADEN</b> In State Waters outside the Menhaden Management Area	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	120,000/day (4/1)	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	120,000/day	
<b>SCUP</b> General Category	50,000/day (1/1*)	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	10,000/wk (5/1*)	10,000/wk	10,000/wk 20,000/wk (7/29)	20,000/wk 30,000/wk (8/12)	30,000/wk	2,000/day (10/1)* 28,500/day (10/1)*	28,500/day	
<b>SCUP</b> Floating Fish Traps	50,000/day (1/1*)	50,000/day	50,000/day	50,000/day	Unlimited (5/1*)	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	2,000/day (10/1)* 28,500/day (10/1)*	28,500/day	
<b>STRIPED BASS</b> General Category	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED 5 fish/day (5/20)*	5 fish/day	5 fish/day CLOSED (7/3)	CLOSED 5 fish/day (8/5)* (closed Fri, Sat) CLOSED (8/15)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	
<b>STRIPED BASS</b> Floating Fish Traps	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Unlimited (4/1)*	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited 500/day (8/5)	500/day	500/day	500/day	
<b>SUMMER FLOUNDER</b>												
Without a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1*)	100/day	100/day	100/day	50/day (5/1*) (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	50/day (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	50/day (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	50/day 100/day (8/27) (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	100/day (9/16*)	100/day	100/day	
With a RI Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate	100/day (1/1*)	100/day	100/day	100/day	50/day (5/1*) (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	50/day (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	50/day (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	50/day 100/day (8/27) (closed Fri, Sat, Sun)	100/day (9/16*)	100/day	100/day	
Weekly (aggregate) limit (permitted vessels only)	CLOSED	1,500/bi-wk (2/4)**	1,500/bi-wk	1,500/bi-wk 1,750/bi-wk (4/15) CLOSED (4/29)	CLOSED (5/1*)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	
<b>TAUTOG</b>	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	10 fish/day (4/1)*	10 fish/day CLOSED (5/27)	CLOSED	CLOSED	10 fish/day (8/1)*	10 fish/day CLOSED (9/16)*	10 fish/day	10 fish/day CLOSED (11/16)	

\* Indicates start of a sub-period

\*\* Weekly possession limit only for vessels with a Summer Flounder Aggregate Landing Program Permit.

For species not identified in this chart, go to the Marine Fisheries webpage at <http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/fish-wildlife/marine-fisheries/mfsizes.php>

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